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Status

Claims 1, 16, 18, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, 37, 42, 45, 46, 47, 58, 61, 76, 79, 80, 81, 85, 87,

92, and 100 have been amended, claim 103 has been added, and claims 62 and 78 have been canceled. Claims 1, 42, 45, and 76 are the independent claims.

The independent claims as amended are set forth below for the sake of convenience:

1. (Currently Amended) Apparatus, including

a storage element including an input disposed for receiving digital content from a DVD, the storage element being capable of non-evanescently storing that digital content using a storage technique substantially different from the DVD, the digital content from the DVD complying with a CSS license to discourage unauthorized copying of the digital content;

a playback device coupled to the storage element, the playback device having an input disposed for receiving the digital content and having an output disposed for coupling a media stream represented by that digital content for presentation, the digital content complying with the CSS license at the input of the playback device to discourage unauthorized copying of the digital content; and

a media reader, the media reader having a read element capable of being coupled to the DVD.

42. (Currently Amended) A media reader, including

a read element for a DVD, the DVD including digital content representing at least one media stream, the digital content being maintained in a protected form in compliance with a CSS license to discourage unauthorized copying of the media stream, and the read element including a first authenticator;

a second authenticator;

an interface to a storage element; and

a controller capable of (1) causing the first authenticator and the second authenticator to authenticate each other before the read element accesses the DVD, and (2) causing the read element to read data from the DVD and output the data to the interface with DRM information intact.

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45. (Currently Amended) A method of playing a DVD, including steps of

reading the DVD including digital content representing at least one media stream in compliance with a CSS license to discourage unauthorized copying of the media stream, the digital content being maintained in a protected form;

non-evanescently storing the digital content in the protected form using a storage mechanism different from the DVD; and

playing back the digital content after conversion into analog, digital, or analog and digital audiovisual content in a second protected from for presentation.

76. (Currently Amended) A method of doing business, including steps of sending data from a device that reads a DVD to a remote playback device while complying with CSS license agreement terms and CSS procedural specification terms to discourage unauthorized copying of the data.

Closing

The entire application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience. Applicant's undersigned attorney can be reached at (614) 205-3241. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the address indicated below.

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